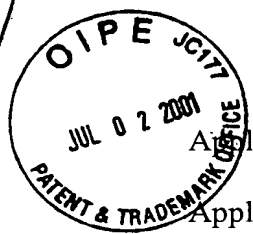


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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated May 2, 2001, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants submit herewith an executed Declaration and an executed Power of Attorney by Assignee. The Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet is being filed at the Box Assignment. A copy of the Assignment is attached to the Power of Attorney By Assignee.

A fee of \$130.00 is believed to be due for this submission. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are nineteen (19) sheets of substitute drawings consisting of Figs. 1A-19B in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. Applicants respectfully request that the attached drawings be substituted for the drawings originally filed in this application. No new matter has been added.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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